

14 September 1960

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Gordon Gray  
Brig. Gen. A. J. Goodpaster

SUBJECT: Security Breach at NSC,  
September 7, 1960

1. At the NSC meeting on Wednesday, September 7, 1960, the Director of Central Intelligence with the assistance of the Assistant Director for Scientific Intelligence, CIA, gave a briefing which included the display of materials in a sensitive security system. It is understood that the following persons were present at the meeting:

The President of the United States  
The Secretary of State, Christian A. Herter  
The Secretary of the Treasury, Robert B. Anderson  
The Secretary of Defense, Thomas S. Gates, Jr.  
Chief of Staff of the Air Force, Gen. Thomas D. White  
Director of the Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization,  
Leo A. Hoegh  
Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, John A. McCone  
Assistant Secretary of Defense (International Security Affairs),  
John N. Irwin II  
Assistant Secretary for Policy Planning, Department of State,  
Gerard C. Smith  
Special Assistant to the President for Science and Technology,  
George B. Kistiakowsky  
Special Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs,  
Gordon Gray  
Staff Secretary to the President, Brig. Gen. A. J. Goodpaster  
The Assistant to the President, Wilton B. Persons  
Central Intelligence Agency Officer,  50X1  
Deputy Director, Bureau of the Budget, Elmer B. Staats  
Deputy Director, United States Information Agency, Abbott Washburn  
Special Assistant to the President for Security Affairs,  
Karl G. Harr, Jr.  
Deputy Executive Secretary, NSC, Marion W. Boggs  
Director of the NSC Secretariat, Robert R. Johnson.

2. The last five officials listed and underlined did not have the proper security clearances. To correct this situation I have today requested [redacted] of CIA to brief and debrief these officials immediately.

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(Gen. Goodpaster's secretary) to be sure  
he received this memo. He had, &  
she checked with Mr. Gray's  
office & he had.